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**MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES MAY 18, 2023 EFFECTIVE DATE OF
REVISED DTS RULES FOR CLASS A AND LOW POWER TELEVISION
BROADCAST STATIONS**

MB Docket No. 20-74 and GN Docket No. 16-142

On January 19, 2021, the Commission released a Report and Order (*R&O*) in its proceeding to address technical issues that may impede the adoption of distributed transmission system (DTS) by a broadcast television station.¹ The *R&O* created new DTS rules for Class A television and low power television (LPTV) stations.² On April 7, 2023, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the form changes associated with the DTS rule changes for Class A television and LPTV stations.

By this *Public Notice*, the Media Bureau announces that summary of the *R&O*, including notice of the effective date for the rule changes applicable to Class A television and LPTV stations, was published in the *Federal Register* on April 18, 2023,³ announcing that the effective date for these changes is May 18, 2023.⁴

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¹ *Rules Governing the Use of Distributed Transmission System Technologies, Authorizing Permissive Use of the "Next Generation" Broadcast Television Standard*, MB Docket No. 20-74, GN Docket No. 16-142, Report and Order, 36 FCC Rcd 1227 (2021).

² The DTS rule changes for Class A television and LPT stations include adding paragraph (e) to section 73.6010, revising section 73.6023, and adding section 74.720 to subpart G of Part 74 of the Commission's rules.

³ *Rules Governing the Use of Distributed Transmission System Technologies, Authorizing Permissive Use of the "Next Generation" Broadcast Television Standard*, 88 Fed. Reg. 23581 (Apr. 18, 2023).

⁴ *Id.*